

## UPCOUNTY CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

## Meeting Summary March 21, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mark Firley and introductions were done. The meeting was held at the Damascus Recreation Center.

The meeting summary from February 22, 2016 was approved unanimously (motion by L. Moore; seconded by R. Nelson).

## Update from the County Council- none

**Update from Upcounty Regional Director** –Regional Director Catherine Matthews reported that the County Executive announced his budget for FY 2017 (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017). On Wednesday, March 23, 2016, the last of five budget forums will be held from 6:30-8:30pm. Applicants for the Planning Board are needed. The Sister Cities program's annual meeting will be held on March 28, 2016. To report potholes in the county, residents are encouraged to call 311. Ms. Matthews also reported that there will be a couple of vacancies on the Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board and encouraged residents to apply.

Discussion: open

Assistant Fire Chief John Dimitriadis spoke of many safety hazards that continue to pose problems in the County, such as carbon monoxide, lack of smoke detectors and hording conditions. He also discussed fire and rescue services, and community outreach programs within the County.

Chair's Report - none.

Committee / Liaison Reports – none.

 ${\color{red} \textbf{Community Concerns/Comments}-none.}$ 

The meeting was adjourned (motion by Brian Donohue and seconded by K. Linck).

Board Attendance: Dennis Barnes, Brian Donohue, Arthur Edmunds, Mark Firley, Mamady Kamara, Kevin Linck, Linda Moore, Robert Nelson, William Roberts, David Rosenbaum, Pat Seals, Kraig Wasleben and Ian Weston.

Additional Guests: George and Violet Hibbard, Connie Markwood, John Trupo, Myra Bacon, Marie Dean, Matt Waas, Robert and Randeen Rosen, Seth Gottesman, Robyn Lazaro, Leah Mitchell, Jason and Gretchen Goldsmith

Staff: Catherine Matthews and Chiffon Smith

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